



Another Rising Star in The California Republican Movement.

In SCRW&M's continuing effort to bring you inspiring leaders for the future in the Republican Party, come meet **Curt Hagman** present Mayor of Chino Hills and candidate for California State Assembly 60th District. If one wants to have an effect on local politics and the political system, follow Curt's example and be active and volunteer.

Mayor Hagman was elected to the Chino Hills City Council in November 2004 and is currently serving as Mayor of that city. He has been active in the community for many years. He was the City's Highlighted Volunteer in August 1997 and again in November 1999. He served as a Parks and Recreation Commissioner from 2000 to 2004.

Curt is a founding member of the Community Volunteers Assisting Law Enforcement (CVALE) and has served as Chairman since its inception in 1998. This organization consists of citizen volunteers from 50 Police/Sheriff Departments who meet on a quarterly basis for training and informational meetings. Over the years, he has volunteered for the San Bernardino County Sheriff in a number of positions. He is a benefactor of the Explorers, Reserves, Citizens Patrol, and other station activities.



Mayor Curt Hagman

Mayor Hagman is also a strong supporter and benefactor of numerous children's and high school clubs and teams throughout the community. He is an active member of the Kiwanis Club of Chino Hills. Curt serves on the Board of Directors for the Chino Valley YMCA and was also named the Chairman of the San Bernardino County Workforce Investment Board in 2007.

Curt Hagman, the Mayor of Chino Hills, has exactly the kind of business, educational and public safety experience that makes him the ideal government leader for California and the Chinese community.

And now Mayor Curt Hagman is campaigning to be the next Assemblyman to represent the 60th Assembly District in the California State Legislature.

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From the President's Desk---

**Happy Back to School Greetings from your
Southern California Republican Women and
Men President**



Brenda Montaine

Thank you to all who attended our August Luncheon. Special thanks to Asm. Bob Huff for enlightening us on the California Budget process and crisis.

I think it is safe to say that McCain's conservative base is pleased with the selection of Sarah Palin as our Vice

President nominee. I am. As you know, my heart was set on Romney, however I didn't take time to mourn, for I was too overwhelmed by the sheer brilliance of the McCain/Palin ticket. She looks and sounds good to me. For one of the first times since the '80's I feel like it is "in" to be conservative.

If the nominee had been Romney, I was planning to rant about where the U.S. Constitution talks about the separation of church and state or more specifically doesn't talk about it and how a minority of our population has blown Section 4 article 6 and the 1st Amendment out of proportion. I was planning to have to talk about why it was ok with me that Romney is Mormon and share how I got beyond that someone with a very different faith than traditional candidates could be a heart beat away from the presidency. Admittedly, I'm not ready to move beyond a hope that Romney could be President or Vice President in the future. First, I'd like to see (absent additional facts) eight years of McCain and then eight years of Palin. So, in sixteen years I'll be chanting Romney once again and with all the firsts that this election will bring I believe we as a nation will once and for all move beyond the final "isms" and in the legacy of the great words of Martin Luther King, Jr., live in a nation where we will be judged by the content of our character.

We have unequivocally come a long way since the founding of this great nation. Sarah Palin is poised to once and for all break through that glass ceiling that institutionally had me, as late as the 5th grade, believing that women were nurses and men were doctors. She proves that the American Dream is within reach, it just takes: hard work, determination, and perseverance. A self-prescribed "lipstick wearing pit bull" has inspired me with not only her witty sarcasm, but her profession that she is in politics for all the right reasons, over 300,000,000 of them, the people of the United States of

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Forum Report by Eldon Quick

“Having more fun than a human being ought to be allowed to have”, as Rush says, the Forum attendees engaged in lively discussion again at the August meeting. We covered a wide range of subjects from State, to National, to World. A lot of our time was spent on Proposition 8 the State constitutional amendment to limit marriage to a union between a man and a woman. A guest at the Forum, Father Frank Wagner, brought a strong religious point of view to the question. This is a moral issue, not a political issue he said. The institution of marriage as both a religious and civil contract between a man and a woman was instituted thousands of years ago to guarantee the well being of children. A child needs the care and mentoring of both sexes to be whole human being.

It was pointed out by others that the promotion of single sex marriage is part of a world wide secularist movement to weaken the institution of marriage. Someone wondered why homosexuals want to get married anyway? The natural sexuality of a male is not to be monogamous. If a man could, he would have as many partners as possible. Besides when you break up, if your not married, you just part ways, no messy divorce, no lawyers to pay. Of course this issue is not just about the right to marry, it is a civil rights issue. It is an attempt to convince the world that homosexuals are a persecuted minority deserving of special rights. The proposition that allowing homosexuals to marry would reduce the amount of fooling around and lessen the spread of aids was countered by evidence from European countries where same sex marriage is allowed and there is no reduction in spread of aids.

The battle to get Proposition 8 approved is going to be tough. The battle cannot be won from the pulpit. It is going to be won by the TV ads. This means we Republicans are going to have to contribute time and money, blood, sweat and tears to see that California’s Constitution is amended to preserve marriage as the civil and religious union between a man and a woman.

Other subjects that got our juices flowing were: Obama’s debating skills, and his use of the ‘race card’ by accusing McCain of planning to point out that Obama does not look like the faces on our dollar bills. As for his debating skills (the Saturday Forum was held before the Saddleback Church debate) we were prescient in predicting that Obama does not do well in unscripted situations. He reminds one of the star of the High School debate team, he’s great as long as he can stick to his script, but falters when not orating. How should McCain have handled Obama’s accusation? – Do what McCain did, bust him.

Among the outrages of the month were: (A) A California State judge has determined that California's prison hospitals are in unacceptable condition and must be rebuilt at a cost of \$7 billion. He has appointed himself as overseer of how this money is to be spent. The State has no recourse, it is a court order and the money must be allocated. Michael’s question, “Any comments?” brought no polite replies. We were appalled and reminded how important the votes for the judges are. Our thanks to Michael A. Jackson for his research and advise on the judges.

(B) The Gang of 10 containing 5 misled Republicans who have come up with a compromise to end the conflict over the energy bill, Some compromise! Give the Democrats everything they want in return for being allowed to apply for permission to drill far offshore. The energy issue is clearly the strongest issue we Republicans have going for us right now. To undermine it with an offer to give in now was not productive. Government must allow industry to pursue all forms of energy production, and stop subsidizing corn sourced ethanol. There are many clean ways to use coal, and the cleanest energy source of all, nuclear, seems to at last have lost its political curse, though History channel has been running a program trying to stir up the fear again.

© And, Congress is again considering the Labor Unions wish to have ‘card check’ instead of secret ballot elections to decide if a company is to be unionized. (And they accuse us of being in the control of ‘special interests.’) This is a very important issue. If workers lose their right to a secret ballot, they lose their freedom to choose. Workers will be coerced into contributing a portion of their wages to union bosses who will then use them to support candidates who will see to it that the bosses get ever more power. All candidates running for office should be forced to take a position on this issue. Whenever you can, go to the enemy camp and ask the candidate how he will vote on ‘Card Check’.

Come join the fun this month, Saturday the 13th, 11:30 Smoke House Restaurant, Burbank.



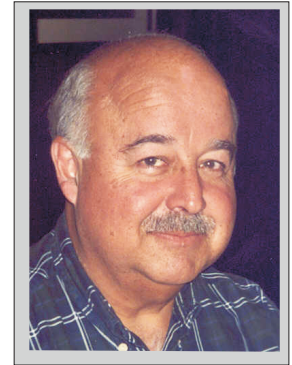
Eldon Quick

Bill's Bills

Put a Cap on it!

Chanteuse Billie Holiday obviously had never watched California's budget struggles when she popularized the lyrics "Summertime and the living is easy". It most definitely is summertime here in the Big Tomato, but the living is anything but easy when it comes to getting a budget.

As this is being written the last week of August, the budget impasse will likely be solved by the time you read these pearls of wisdom. Whether it is or not, the central dynamics that have brought us this far are worth reporting to you.



William Saracino

The Democrats, as expected, are demanding a solution based entirely on tax increases. They publically parade a list of "painful budget cuts" they will support, but closer inspection reveals those to be nothing more than cuts in projected budget increases. The Democrats don't explain how a budget that contains painful cuts can in total be 3 billion dollars larger than the current budget. "New math" strikes again.

The Republicans, as a nice surprise, are standing together and holding firm against any tax increases, and insisting on a solution based entirely on actually budget cuts. Whatever the final result is, the legislative Republicans current posture is absolutely essential to arriving at any type of budget compromise that would address GOP concerns like a permanent spending cap. Their unity now will pay dividends when the last act of this drama is written, whatever it is.

Which brings us to the Governor, and his strange aversion to making the GOP's spending cap proposal part of his own budget solution. Though he initially made noises about wanting a "permanent" solution to overspending, he apparently fails to recognize that the only solution that has any chance of actually being permanent is a spending cap put into the state constitution. Any other action, while it may paper over this year's deficit, would do nothing to keep the current situation from repeating itself endlessly into the future as long as the Democrats control the legislature.

Only a spending cap put into the constitution would have the power to prevent future legislators from over-spending. Any other "solution" is in reality no solution at all, but just a very temporary remedy, rather like taking the drink out of the alcoholic's hand while leaving the 10 cases of whiskey in his basement.

Given that fact, the Governor's failure to buy into the Republicans spending cap proposal in ACA 19 is difficult to understand. Of course a constitutionally protected spending cap is to the Democrats and unions as a crucifix is to Dracula, so perhaps Arnold's post-partisan sensibilities won't allow him to embrace anything so hated by his post-partisan pals the Democrats.

Which is sad, as a spending cap placed into the constitution would go a long way not only to actually solving California's structural budgetary problems, but would also likely attract the necessary GOP votes to pass a budget. How this plays out will be fascinating, and my

Richard Poirier's Presentation on The Presidential Candidates at St. Meinrad School of Theology Conference

Never one to hold back a thought provoking point-of-view, Richard Poirier, a SCRW&M member, music industry financial executive, writer and philosopher, was invited to present a paper at the 2nd Annual International Society for MacIntyrean Philosophy conference July 30 through August 3. Richard presented a paper entitled "The Presidential Candidates: Agents of Change or 'Partners' in maintaining the Status Quo?"

Richard's presentation examined the societal significance of the presidential election within the context of political power in the modern liberal state.

Richard begins his presentation by stating, "Alasdair MacIntyre famously ends *After Virtue* by drawing qualified parallels between the conditions shortly before the Roman Empire's decline into the Dark Ages and conditions facing our own age in Europe and North America. One parallel is that people of good-will reach a turning point when they no longer believe that those in government possess civility and moral integrity -- virtues that communities value. One difference MacIntyre points out is that Rome's adversarial barbarians were 'waiting beyond the frontiers,' whereas the barbarians of today 'have been governing us for quite some time.' This notion that we are governed by barbarians provides a new frame of reference we may use in evaluating the two major party candidates currently running for president of the United States."



Richard Poirier

The full presentation paper is available on Poirier's Political and Philosophical Commentary blog on the Daily News' Valleynews.com website at www.Valleynews.com/

Richard said, "The process of writing this paper gave me additional frames of reference to consider when I attended Pastor Rick Warren's Saddleback Church forum on August 16, It became obvious why McCain's views resonated so much better at the forum and nationally than Obama's. I predict that McCain and Palin will win the election. But of course they need the full support of the party base to make it happen."

Republican Platform Vast Improvement Over 2004

Conservatives are thrilled with the platform just adopted in Minneapolis by the Republican National Convention Committee on Resolutions--as the platform committee is formally known--that is to be submitted for formal adoption to the full convention this week in St. Paul.

The 2008 platform truly reflects the beliefs of the party and its activist base and is significantly more conservative than the one four years before. The working copy of the 2008 platform was drafted by party staff without the heavy-handedness often imposed by presidential nominees. In 2004, many activist conservatives were upset at the high-handed tactics of the campaign organization and the many platform deviations from basic party principles, especially on domestic issues.

That was not the case in 2008. The draft began as a conservative document and was moved even further to the right by the various amendments adopted by the 112 member platform committee, whose representatives are chosen locally by the elected delegates to the convention. Because the party base is conservative, the document was conservative.

The most important change in the 2008 platform

was a re-commitment of the GOP to the fundamental conservative principle of limited constitutional government and resulting promise to reduce bloated federal government spending, what Sen. John McCain has called the "profligate spending that has characterized this administration's fiscal policy." Language of this sort had not appeared in 2004, given the record domestic spending levels during the Bush Administration. The platform also promises to extend the Bush tax cuts and reduce corporate taxation. Foreign policy planks pretty much followed the thrust of the earlier platform, but the 2008 document opposes any immigration plan that would provide amnesty for illegal aliens. "The rule of law suffers if government policies encourage or reward illegal activity," it says.

The 2008 platform says: "Republicans caution against the doomsday climate change scenarios peddled by aficionados of centralized command-and-control government." It calls technology and markets the keys to reducing carbon emissions without damaging the economy "We simply must draw more American oil from American soil," and use more nuclear energy, which the document calls "a gift to mankind implanted in matter itself."

Curt Hagman, cont. From pg 1

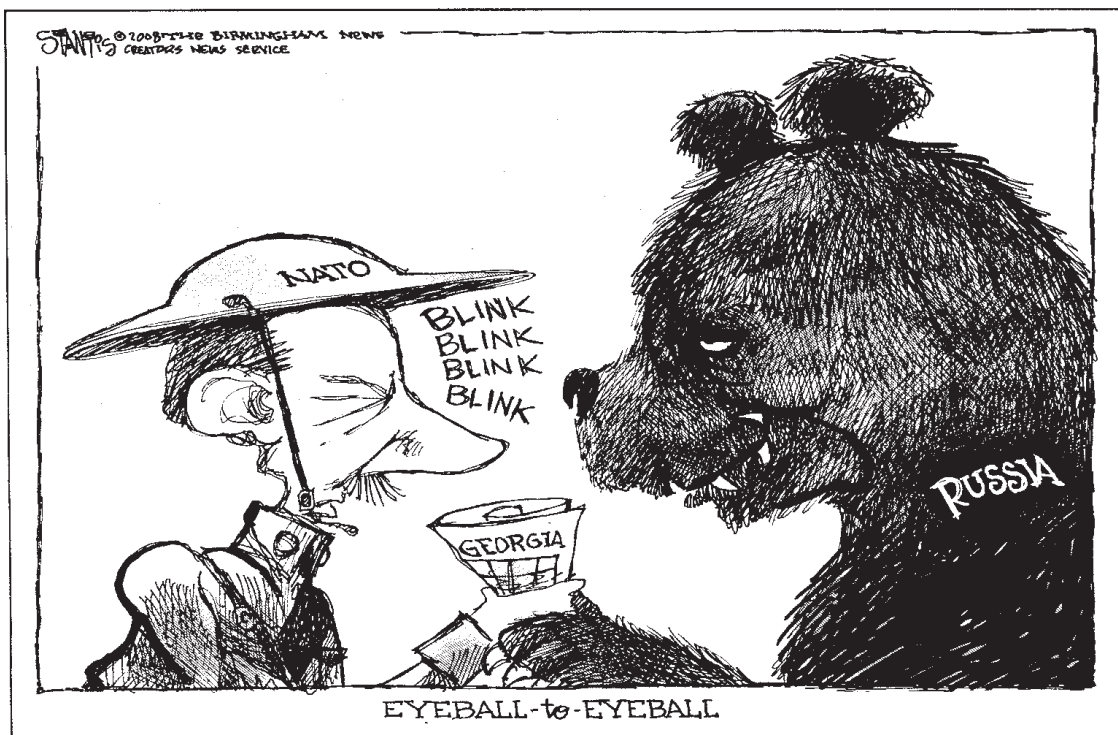
As a successful business owner, Curt Hagman understands the problems caused by excessive taxation, rising health care costs, worker's compensation fraud, unfair law suits, and excessive government regulation. Curt Hagman faces these problems every day in the operation of his own business.

Curt Hagman also feels that government should be a partner with, not a threat to, private business growth. As Mayor of Chino Hills, Curt has worked long and hard to speed the process of opening new businesses and reducing the cost of doing business in his City, making Chino Hills one of the most successful and fastest growing cities in all of Southern California. As the Chairman of the San Bernardino County Workforce Investment Board, Curt Hagman is also working to insure that his County's job training money is being spent to develop job skills that local businesses say they need for their future economic growth.

Curt Hagman understands how important good education is to the financial future of California and its children. Curt Hagman has been very active in Chino Hills' school system for many years. As a PTA member, Curt helped create the Chino Hills Foundation to raise funds for a children's library. He has participated many times in his local schools' Student Government Day, Principal for a Day and Literacy Days.

Finally, Curt Hagman knows very well that economic growth and educational achievement will not continue if citizens are unsafe. As a member of the Chino Hills City Council, Curt led the drive to double law enforcement personnel in his city. Curt Hagman is also the Founder and Commander of the disaster assistance volunteers who work for the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, a team of highly trained citizen volunteers who are mobilized when additional security is needed during disasters (fires, earthquakes, floods, etc.). Curt has received numerous awards for his volunteer activities from the Chino Hills Police Department and the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. Curt Hagman will make sure that our homes, businesses, and schools remain safe.

Curt and his wife Grace met at UCLA. Together they have two children, Jonathan and Elizabeth. They enjoy their life in Chino Hills and moved here for the rural atmosphere and the many family-oriented activities.



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America.

It is poignantly fitting to pause to reflect that women were not guaranteed the right to vote until 1920. Some unbelievably brave women had had enough of being considered second class citizens and came together to demand women's suffrage. Many of these women were subsequently beat, bruised, and bullied beginning in 1848 until they were rewarded with the 19th Amendment to our U.S. Constitution. Please give a heart felt tribute to the memory of the U.S. women suffragists by: 1. VOTE McCain/Palin 2. Join us on the second Saturdays.

Amendment XIX - The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.
[Http://www.law.cornell.edu/constitution/constitution.amendmentxix.html](http://www.law.cornell.edu/constitution/constitution.amendmentxix.html)

Notes from the Board

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